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1. This communication is responsive to					
2. ☐ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-11.					
3. The drawings filed on 28 March 2004 are accepted by the	Examiner.				
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority ur a) All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority do International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONN THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.	e been received. e been received in Application No cuments have been received in this of this communication to file a reply		•		
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 6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. 					
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification on page 11, [0037], line 14, a period has been inserted after "34".

On page 11, [0037], line 14, --The pawl lifter 37C-- has been inserted before "is coaxially mounted".

On page 13, line 29, "81" has been deleted.

On page 13, line 32, "143" has been deleted and --43-- inserted therefore.

On page 14, [0041], lines 4 and 5, "145B" has been deleted.

On page 14, [0042], line 6, "245B" has been deleted.

In the abstract: on line 1, "discloses" has been deleted and --includes-- inserted therefore.

In the claims:

In claim 3, line 2, --means-- has been inserted after "retainer".

In claim 11, line 1, "of the type" has been deleted.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the primary reason for the allowance of the claims in this case is the inclusion of the specific pressure plate and release shaft included in the independent claims in combination with the other elements recited which is not found in the prior art of record.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Hilary Gutman whose telephone number is 703-305-0496.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Glenn Dayoan can be reached on 703-308-3102. The fax phone number for the

organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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